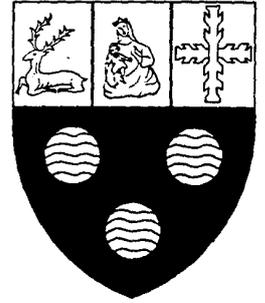


Southwell
Minster

THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF
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NEWARK &
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for
NEWARK & SHERWOOD DISTRICT
COUNCIL

The Third Sunday of Easter
Eve of Philip and James, Apostles
Sunday 1 May 2022
3.30pm

Welcome to Southwell Minster



As you prepare for worship, please be sensitive to the needs of those around you who may wish to pray in silence. Please switch off mobile telephones and do not use photographic, video or recording equipment at any time.



A loop system is in operation throughout the Minster. Hearing aids that are equipped to do so should be switched to the 'T' position or the loop setting appropriate to your equipment.



Large print orders of service are available. Please ask a Churchwarden, Sidesman or Verger for a copy.



Toilet facilities (including disabled access) are situated in the Archbishop's Palace, opposite the South Door of the Minster.



We are a Fairtrade cathedral, committed to continuing and increasing our use of fairly traded goods wherever possible.

The congregation is invited to join in all texts printed in **bold**.

This service will be live-streamed to the internet, and will be available at www.southwellminster.org/worship-online and on the Minster's YouTube channel, for one day. Live-streaming allows those joining from home to participate in the same act of worship as those in the Cathedral.

At the conclusion of the service, a retiring collection will be taken, net proceeds of which will go to the Newark & Sherwood District Council Chairman's chosen charity, Citizens Advice. If you are a UK taxpayer, you are invited to fill in your details on the Gift Aid envelopes provided so that we can reclaim your income tax and thus increase your donation by 25p for every £1 given. Please give generously.

Music at this service

The Cathedral Choir is directed by Paul Provost, *Rector Chori*.

The organ is played by Jonathan Allsopp, *Assistant Director of Music*.

Organ Music before the Service

Choral (from *Symphonie romane*)

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)



Citizens Advice Sherwood & Newark

Citizens Advice Sherwood & Newark provides free, confidential and impartial advice, and campaigns on big issues affecting people's lives. It is an independent charity and part of the Citizens Advice network across England and Wales.

Its goal is to help everyone find a way forward, whatever problem they face. In 2021, Citizens Advice Sherwood & Newark supported almost 5000 local people, and dealt with about 16,000 separate advice issues.

The Service of Evensong

The experience of the service of Evensong is unique. It takes place at the end of the working day, and the choir leads worship through their singing. The service is centred around the singing of psalms, ancient texts that speak powerfully and accessibly to our very human hopes, fears and dreams. Every service of Evensong also includes two canticles, or songs, recorded in St Luke's Gospel: the *Magnificat* and *Nunc dimittis*. Both canticles focus on hope and the fulfilment of what God promised to his people, and so have acted as a foundation for prayer and reflection towards the end of the day for many hundreds of years. The beauty of daily sung services in cathedrals is that no two composers' interpretation of these texts is the same, so in the repetition of familiar texts we find fresh meaning every single day.

The gift of the service of Evensong is that it requires little active participation from the congregation; it is a service of respite from the stresses of the day. Our hope is that those of you for whom this is your first taste of Evensong will let yourselves be immersed in the experience: you need simply to be receptive, and to allow yourself to be carried by the choir in song and prayer. In letting others take on the responsibility for prayer on your behalf, you are left with greater freedom to be open to the presence and grace of God.

Standing, Sitting and Kneeling

Throughout the booklet, you will find various references to posture:

- **Standing** is used for parts of the service where the emphasis is on praising or praying to God together; so we usually stand to sing hymns, and for certain important prayers.
- **Sitting** indicates listening and receiving; so we sit for the first and second readings from the Bible, and for the sermon.
- **Kneeling** is the traditional position for personal prayer. Please speak to one of the Vergers or Sidesmen if you would like a cushion for kneeling.

Adopting the same posture is a way of showing that we are worshipping God together, as his people. However, please always feel free to adopt a different posture, especially if standing or kneeling is uncomfortable.

We are always delighted to welcome newcomers and visitors. If you would like to keep in regular contact with the Minster, please either speak to one of the clergy or churchwardens, or email office@southwellminster.org.uk

Order of Procession

Cllr Breda-Rae Griffin, Chairman of South Kesteven District Council, and consort

Cllr Richard MacRae, Mayor of Broxtowe, and consort

Cllr Sue Mallender, Mayor of Rushcliffe, and Cllr Richard Mallender

Cllr Sally Reynold, Chairman of Southwell Town Council, and consort

Lisa Geary, Mayor of Newark, and guest

Cllr Mike Quigley, Chairman of Nottinghamshire County Council, and
Mrs Wendy Quigley

Cllr Mrs Sue Saddington (Vice-Chairman) and Mr Barry Saddington

John Robinson (Chief Executive, Newark and Sherwood District Council) and
Elaine Griffiths

Paul Southby, High Sheriff of Nottinghamshire

Cllr Mrs Penny Rainbow (Chairman) and Mr Andrew Rainbow

The Canon Missioner and the Canon Precentor

The Dean and Colonel Tim Richmond, Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire

ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN



1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,
Raise the glad strain, Alleluya!
Cry out, Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya, Alleluya!

2. O higher than the Cherubim,
More glorious than the Seraphim,
Lead their praises, Alleluya!
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord,
Alleluya...

3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,
Alleluya, Alleluya!
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,
All Saints triumphant, raise the song
Alleluya...

4. O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluya, Alleluya!
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
Alleluya...

Words: Athelstan Riley (1858-1945)

Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN NEH 478
from Geistliche Kirchengesäng, Cologne, 1623
arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

PRECES sung by the Canon Precentor and choir

O Lord, open thou our lips:
And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us:
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord:
The Lord's name be praised.

Music: William Smith (c.1603-1645)

The Canon in Residence welcomes the congregation to the service.

Please sit

PSALMODY sung by the choir

Psalm 25

Unto thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust
in thee:

O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me.
For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed:
but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.

Shew me thy ways, O Lord:
and teach me thy paths.

Lead me forth in thy truth, and learn me:

for thou art the God of my salvation; in thee hath been my hope all the
day long.

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies:
and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

O remember not the sins and offences of my youth:
but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for
thy goodness.

Gracious and righteous is the Lord:
therefore will he teach sinners in the way.
Them that are meek shall he guide in judgement:
and such as are gentle, them shall he learn his way.
All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth:
unto such as keep his covenant, and his testimonies.
For thy Name's sake, O Lord:
be merciful unto my sin, for it is great.
What man is he, that feareth the Lord:
him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.
His soul shall dwell at ease:
and his seed shall inherit the land.
The secret of the Lord is among them that fear him:
and he will shew them his covenant.
Mine eyes are ever looking unto the Lord:
for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.
Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me:
for I am desolate, and in misery.
The sorrows of my heart are enlarged:
O bring thou me out of my troubles.
Look upon my adversity and misery:
and forgive me all my sin.
Consider mine enemies, how many they are:
and they bear a tyrannous hate against me.
O keep my soul, and deliver me:
let me not be confounded, for I have put my trust in thee.
Let perfectness and righteous dealing wait upon me:
for my hope hath been in thee.
Deliver Israel, O God:
out of all his troubles.

Please stand

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

Chant: William Marsh (1757-1818)

Please sit

read by Andrew Rainbow

Why do you say, O Jacob,
and speak, O Israel,
'My way is hidden from the Lord,
and my right is disregarded by my God'?
Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The Lord is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.
He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the powerless.
Even youths will faint and be weary,
and the young will fall exhausted;
but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.'

Please stand

ANTIPHON AND MAGNIFICAT *sung by the choir*

Saints and just ones rejoice in the Lord, alleluia:
The Lord has chosen you for his inheritance, alleluia.

My soul doth magnify the Lord:
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded:
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth:
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me:
and holy is his name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him:
throughout all generations.
He hath shewed strength with his arm:
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat:
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things:
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:
and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

Saints and just ones rejoice in the Lord, alleluia:
The Lord has chosen you for his inheritance, alleluia.

Words: Luke 1: 46-55

*Music: from EVENING SERVICE IN G
Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995)*

*Antiphon: SANCTI ET JUSTI
Mode viii*

Please sit

read by John Robinson, Chief Executive of Newark & Sherwood District Council

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

Please stand

NUNC DIMITTIS *sung by the choir*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace:
according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen:
thy salvation.
Which thou hast prepared:
before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:
and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

Words: Luke 2: 29-32

*Music: from EVENING SERVICE IN G
Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995)*

Please turn east to face the High Altar

CREED

**I believe in God the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried.
He descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Please turn back

LESSER LITANY, LORD'S PRAYER AND RESPONSES

sung by the Canon Precentor and choir

The Lord be with you:
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Please sit or kneel

Lord, have mercy upon us:
Christ, have mercy upon us:
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us;
and let us not be led into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Amen.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us:
And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen:
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness:
And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people:
And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord:

Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us:

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

O Almighty God,

whom truly to know is everlasting life;

grant us perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way,
the truth and the life;

that, following the steps of thy holy Apostles,

Saint Philip and Saint James,

we may stedfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life;
through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels,

and all just works do proceed;

give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give;

that both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments,

and also that, by thee,

we being defended from the fear of our enemies

may pass our time in rest and quietness;

through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen.

COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord;

and by thy great mercy defend us

from all perils and dangers of this night;

for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Music: William Smith (c.1603-1645)

Please sit

ANTHEM sung by the choir

Give us the wings of faith to rise
Within the veil, and see
The saints above, how great their joys,
How bright their glories be.

We ask them whence their victory came:
They, with one united breath,
Ascribe the conquest to the Lamb,
Their triumph to his death.

They marked the footsteps that he trod,
His zeal inspired their breast,
And, following their incarnate God,
They reached the promised rest.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Music: Ernest Bullock (1890-1979)

PRESENTATION given by Mike Berrington of Citizens Advice

HYMN



**Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.
Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.
In him no sin is found; we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.**

**Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight: our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.**

**Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him; in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.**

*Tune: BE STILL HOAN 60
Words and music: David J. Evans (b. 1957)
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HOMILY given by the Very Revd Nicola Sullivan, Dean of Southwell

Please remain seated or kneel when invited.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *led by the Canon Precentor*

The following response is used:

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

THE GRACE

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore.
Amen.**

Please stand

HYMN



Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord,
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son,
Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,
Be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might,
Be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower,
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Be thou my inheritance now and always,
Be thou and thou only the first in my heart,
O sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won,
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Words: Irish, c. 8th century
trans. Mary Byrne (1880-1931)
versified by Eleanor Hull (1860-1935)

Tune: SLANE NEH 339
Irish traditional
arr. Erik Routley (1917-82)

BLESSING

God, who has prepared for you a city with eternal foundations,
bring you, with all the saints,
to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

DISMISSAL *sung by the Canon Precentor and choir*

The Lord be with you:
And with thy Spirit.

Let us bless the Lord:
Thanks be to God.

Music: after William Smith (c.1603-1645)

ORGAN VOLUNTARY *during which the ministers depart*

Prelude and Fugue in D 'Hallelujah!'

Franz Schmidt (1874-1939)

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